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NOTE: Please see the attached Response AFTER FINAL to Office Action THE dated May 5, 2004 for the above-referenced case.

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 Examiner: Jacqueline F. Stephens
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Amendment Transmittal Letter

Commissioner For Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified patent application. The non-small entity fee has been calculated in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (b), (c) and (d) as follows:

Claims As Amended

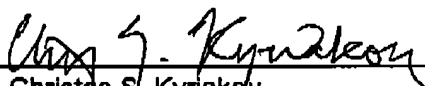
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	34	Minus	24	=	10	x 18 =	\$180.00
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OFFICIAL**Response and Amendment**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 5, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.